

**South Los Angeles Industrial Tract BID
Board of Directors Meeting
September 29 2014 at 11:00 am
655 E. Florence**

In Attendance: Duke Dulgarian, Steve Stone, Mark Whitman, Greg Goodman, Raleigh Waller, Matt Mullen, Oscar Avina, Marisa Alcaraz, Councilmember Curren Price, Susan Levi, Karina Ceja

- I. Call To Order
- II. Introductions
- III. Public Comments
- IV. Approval of Minutes- **Minutes approved by Waller/Whitman unanimous.**
- V. Councilmember Price
 - a. Minimum Wage Increase- Dulgarian informed the Board that Councilmember Price is sponsoring a minimum wage increase for Los Angeles in the City Council. Dulgarian recommended the BID oppose it. Levi informed the Board that other BIDs have already sent a letter of disapproval. **Motion to send letter to City Council to disapprove of the minimum wage increase by Muller/Stone unanimous.** Stone suggested that each council member get the SLAIT letter.

Dulgarian welcomed Councilmember Price. Price asked who is the longest occupant in the area. Dulgarian answered that his family has been there since 1924. Price added that he works in the area and lives in the area. He is interested in enhancing the opportunities and encourages a win-win situation for all. He added that he thinks its great that there are some public sector investments happening in the area. Price mentioned some improvements happening in South Park with better lighting, bandstand and soccer field. Slauson in Hyde Park will be greened and turned into a walk and bike path. Price talked about the importance of cleaning up the area and he highly supports clean and green. Dulgarian reminded the Councilmember that the South Los Angeles Industrial Tract pays for the cleaning services in the district. Stone stated that if the Council office put trashcans in the BID area the BID would make sure the trashcans get emptied out.
 - b. Parking enforcement Gage- Price stated that he could do two things: start by enforcing ticketing on Gage and then prohibit any kind of parking on Gage and find alternative parking elsewhere. Alcaraz suggested that if the Council office were to plant anything in the median the BID would need to maintain it. Levi added that they would. The BID already uses Clean & Green and has a contract with Los Angeles Conservation Corps. Price agreed to provide another dumpster for the BID and will be stored at Stone's property.
 - c. Street improvements- Price stated that he is working on economic improvement and legalizing street vendors. He believes that all businesses should be supported. He supports the Figueroa BID, the SLAIT BID, the Central BID on Florence, the historic Jazz Corridor and the Great Streets project from the Mayor. Dulgarian asked if there is anything the Council office could do for tree trimming. Price stated that they have some money for tree trimming. Price closed by stating that he does not want to be a stranger, he asked the Board to keep inviting him to the meetings, if he cannot come, Alcaraz will

attend. Councilmember Price added that he is excited that this project is in the district and he wants to ensure it's successful.

- VI. Security Update- Captain Avina explained that car thefts and assaults have been on the rise around the district. Phones and necklaces get snatched from women and sometimes they are hurt in the process. Dulgarian asked if the new shopping center needs security. Captain Avina stated that they stay away for the most part and just check in with security guards as needed. Avina also informed the Board that there is a rise in drag racing. Mullen asked if there were specific times the drag racing was occurring. Captain Avina stated that drag racing is happening at random times of the day, sometimes even as early as 8am. Waller suggested we get speed bumps. Dulgarian reminded Waller that they have tried getting speed humps in the BID in the past and it was not possible. Dulgarian also asked how many guards are on per shift. Captain Avina stated that they have 2 guards per shift on bike patrol. He stated that the property owners may not always see the guards but they are around and respond very quickly to calls. Levi was able to meet the new Senior Lead Officer while meeting with the security camera companies. His name is Frank Contreras and his cell phone number is (323) 572-3466.
- a. Camera Update: Levi informed the Board that the cameras were down while the camera companies came to evaluate it. Metro Video systems, which Levi has worked with before suggested they only take over the maintenance of the camera system. Metro has their own bucket truck that they can use once a year to clean all the lenses. Levi met with Jasper from CelPlan Technologies based in San Diego and he proposed a pilot program on 59th and 61st with a total upgrade of cameras and using less cameras. SmartWave is proposing a similar upgrade for the system. Because these proposals came in late and Levi still had a lot of questions for the vendors, she could not make a recommendation at that meeting. She liked the idea of using fewer cameras, which would mean less maintenance. Levi asked the Board if they would give her more time to look over all the proposals a bit further.
- VII. Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, July 15, 2014 if necessary
- VIII. Adjourn- 12:17 pm